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## REQUEST

FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Address to:  
 Mail Stop RCE  
 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Application No.	69/114,231
Filing Date	June 30, 1998
First Named Inventor	Ilan Gabriel Caron
Group Art Unit	2126
Examiner Name	Sue X. Lao
Attorney Docket No	184505

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a.  Previously submitted
  - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on September 26, 2003.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
  - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
  - iii.  Other:
- b.  Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Form PTO-1449
  - v.  Copies of documents listed in Form PTO-1449
  - vi.  Other: Return Receipt Postcard

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required.)
- b.  Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27
- c.  Other:

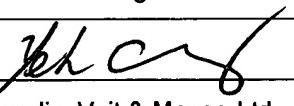
## 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith.   | \$ 770.00                             |
| i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE fee of \$770.00 (large entity) required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)  | 420.00                                |
| ii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two-month extension of time fee of \$420.00 (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)  |                                       |
| iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Petition for an extension of time for the period noted above, as well as for any additional period necessary to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee. |                                       |
| iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action fee of \$130.00 (37 CFR 1.17(i))   | 12/08/2003 JBALINAN 00000060 09114231 |
| v. <input type="checkbox"/> Other:   | 02 FC:1252 420.00 DA                  |

Total amount to be charged to Deposit Account \$1,190.00

- b.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the above fees or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 12-1216

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Signature		Date	December 4, 2003
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## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this Response to Office Action and all accompanying documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on December 4, 2003, in an envelope as "EXPRESS MAIL POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE" service under 37 CFR 1.10, Mailing Label Number EV329750009US, addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Name (Print/Type)	Jeannie Rapstad		
Signature		Date	December 4, 2003

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